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## **Texas Crop Progress and Condition**

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Rainfall was received in many areas of the state again last week. The heaviest precipitation was mostly in eastern half of the state, while much of the western half of the state received trace amounts at best. A few areas of East Texas received rainfall upwards of 5.0 inches but in general totals were 2.0 inches or less. Isolated areas in the Cross Timbers experienced hail storms

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat and oat development progressed as seeding continued. In areas of the Blacklands heavy rainfall drowned out some wheat fields.

Row Crops: Cotton harvest continued to make good progress in areas of the Plains, the Trans-Pecos, and where conditions allowed in areas of the Cross Timbers, and the Edwards Plateau. Cotton is currently at 53 percent, 13 points above previous year, and 3 points behind normal. Corn and sorghum harvest made progress in the areas of the High Plains. Corn harvest is currently at

#### **Crop Progress**

Stogo		Percent of A	Acreage	
Stage	Current	Current Prev. Week		5 Year Avg
Corn				
Harvested	87	84	89	96
Cotton				
<b>Bolls Opening</b>	99	96	92	96
Harvested	53	40	40	56
Peanuts				
Harvested	65	57	77	84
Sorghum				
Mature	96	95	95	96
Harvested	86	83	81	84
Soybeans				
Harvested	85	84	63	88
Sunflowers				
Harvested	86	85	89	84
Winter Wheat				
Planted	76	71	88	87
Emerged	59	55	73	68
Oats				
Planted	83	77	90	88
Emerged	52	31	43	63

87 percent, 2 points behind previous year and 9 points behind normal.

**Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops:** Fall vegetables continued to progress in areas of the Trans-Pecos and the Lower Valley. Pecans harvest was active in areas of the Edwards Plateau and South Central Texas where conditions allowed.

**Livestock, Range and Pasture:** Livestock remained in good condition throughout the state. Range and pasture conditions showed improvement with increased moisture in many areas of the state. In areas of North East Texas feral hogs and flash flooding damaged crops and pasture.

#### **Crop Condition**

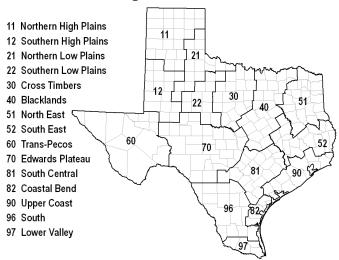
Crop		F	Index <sup>1</sup>				
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	2015	2014
Corn	15	41	33	8	3	75	81
Cotton	4	36	45	11	4	67	61
Peanuts	7	58	34	1	0	81	71
Sorghum	16	51	24	6	3	80	76
Soybeans	5	28	42	22	3	62	75
Wheat	19	28	41	9	3	73	72
Range and Pasture	4	23	40	22	11		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The formula for the condition index is I = (5V + 25P + 60F + 90G + 110E)/100 where I = crop condition index and V, P, F, G, E = percentage of crop rated very poor, poor, fair, good, excellent.

#### **Top Soil Moisture Condition by District**

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	Topsoil Moisture Condition by District				Subsoil Moisture Condition by District				Days Suitable	
District	Percentage of Acreage				Percentage of Acreage				for	
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Fieldwork	
11	0	3	81	16	0	15	85	0	5.7	
12	3	19	65	13	1	25	64	10	6.6	
21	3	23	70	4	10	28	61	1	5.2	
22	0	19	76	5	4	17	75	4	3.8	
30	3	15	63	19	6	19	67	8	4.7	
40	0	1	56	43	0	8	54	38	1.5	
51	9	5	44	42	9	6	53	32	4.6	
52	19	9	53	19	19	14	53	14	4.0	
60	22	19	57	2	21	14	63	2	6.6	
70	3	13	74	10	6	32	57	5	5.0	
81	0	3	67	30	1	19	59	21	4.4	
82	3	6	50	41	2	6	64	28	5.0	
90	1	0	67	32	0	32	46	22	3.5	
96	5	5	76	14	5	5	89	1	5.5	
97	0	19	52	29	0	2	72	26	7.0	
State	2	10	67	21	3	17	67	13	4.9	

### **Texas Agricultural Districts**



Seven Day Observed Regional Precipitation, November 8, 2015



Texas: Last 7-Day Observed Precipitation Valid on: November 08, 2015 12:00 UTC

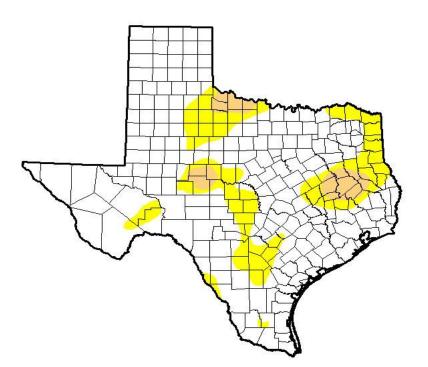


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Source: National Weather Service, www.nws.noaa.gov

## **Drought Monitor**

Valid November 3, 2015



Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4	
Сиптепт	78.47	21.53	4.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Last Week 10/27/2015	56.34	43.66	15.67	2.85	0.00	0.00	
3 Month's Ago 8/4/2015	72.33	27.67	4.61	0.18	0.00	0.00	
Start of Calendar Year 12302 014	34.37	65.63	44.68	25.73	11.70	3.17	
Start of Water Year 9/29/2015	34.51	65.49	38.32	17.55	6.27	0.00	
One Year Ago 11/4/2014	26.33	73.67	48.48	28.39	10.81	3.62	

Intensity:

D0 Abnormally Dry

D1 Moderate Drought

D2 Severe Drought



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary.

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Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, a partnership with USDA, U.S. Department of Commerce/NOAA, <a href="http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu">http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu</a>